Carbondale to add concerts to budget

City plans to fund Spring Thing and Sunset Concerts

KAREN BLAZET
GOVERNMENT EDITOR

The City of Carbondale is now a sponsor of Sunset Concerts and will annually fund the Spring Thing concert instead of having a Welcome Back concert at the beginning of fall semester.

Last week, the City Council approved funding of $4,912 for the Sunset Concerts and $3,500 for Student Programming Council's Spring Thing in 2003.

Commissioner Brad Cole pushed for the funding to be given to the two concert series as a way to better join the University and city to provide better entertainment for the community.

He said the Welcome Back concert was not well attended, and the Sunset Concerts and Spring Thing have brought more people to the city.

"A lot of people come to them. It makes sense for the city to be involved," he said. "It's a way to reach a lot of people and the cost keeps on going up."

The Sunset Concerts are a series of free weekly outside concerts during the summer at Toliver Park or Old Main that draw students and community members of all ages.

The series is co-sponsored by Student Programming Council, the Student Center and the Carbondale Park District. The city's share for fiscal year 2003 would cover the rising cost of entertainment. SPC requested that the city get involved in the successful series.

This year will be the third Spring Thing Concert. The free concert takes place in April and has featured Ziggy Marley and the Melody Makers and George Clinton and the P-Funk All-Stars in the past.

For the past two years, the city gave SPC money for the concerts. Last year the council gave SPC $3,500 for the concert. Since SPC has returned the money from the city for the past two years, the city decided to add it to the budget for each year.

The only condition on giving the money is that the entertainment for the Spring Thing concert be subject to review and approval by the city.

Cole said adding the concert to the budget will be helpful to the city as well as the students and fans.

"We have given the money for other years, we're just eliminating having them request it," he said. "We are just saying we are going to do it."

Cole had been working with Doug Daggett, associate director of the Student Center, to secure funding from the city for six events. Cole said he has been considering the idea of funding the events for a long time.

At Thursday's City Council meeting the council will vote on granting SPC $5,000 for the 2000 Spring Thing concert.

Giving back to the University

Student Development award praises accomplishments of SIUC senior

GEOFFREY BUTTER
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Standing up to take a quick break, Heather Estes glances around, quickly surveying the progress of her most current project.

"We're going to be done way ahead of schedule today," Estes says, "I would love to come back and work next Saturday."

The student of Hammer in the background is gradually working to lay the floor for a Habitat for Humanity house. A worthy cause, but before Estes can say anything about it, she is back on her hands and knees, driving another nail into the floor.

After four years of volunteer activities like this one, Estes, a senior in biological sciences from Nokomis, has been awarded with the Service to Southern award.

"We have gone above and beyond the call of duty," said Nancy Hunter Pei, director of Student Development. "It's a great honor and a great achievement for her."

It did not take long for Estes...

SIUC fans travel to the Kiel Center to cheer for the Dawgs

SIU students and alumni join together in St. Louis to root for the Salukis

RHONDA SCHEIBER
STUDENT AFFAIRS EDITOR

ST. LOUIS — Nick Nortik, clad in a rainbow wig, pants of metallic Haris Grass seeds and a Saluki shaving pound T-shirt, and other members of the self-named "clown pose" rooted for the SIU men's basketball team in its 75-63 victory over the Peoria Aztecs of University of Evansville Saturday night in St. Louis.

Like Nortik, thousands of SIU students, alumni and fans dominated the west-half of the Kiel Center well before the game's 8:35 p.m. tip-off, and SIU fans could not be happier with the win, which advanced the Salukis to the semifinal round of the Missouri Valley Conference tournament.

The "clown pose," made up of about 10 SIU students, formed after the third game of the season in an effort to bring a little more excitement around Saluki basketball.

"We just wanted to be different, stand out and let the players know that we are here for them," Nortik said.

"We know SIU is awesome, and we want them to know it." On the 22d floor of the St. Louis downtown Marriott Pavilion hotel, the SIU Alumni Association has created a Mecca for SIU alumni and students in a hospitality suite prior to each Saluki game.

Ed Burger, director of the SIU Alumni Association, said SIU fans have reserved about 60 rooms at the Marriott this weekend alone.

"We've had a great mix of students, fans and alumni," Burger said. "They're coming from as far away as MINSOOK PARK - DAILY EGYPTIAN

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**CALENDAR**

**TODAY**

- Library Affairs digital imaging for the web, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., Morris Library 1030, 453-2818.

- Association of Childhood Education International meeting, 3 p.m., Quigley 128.

- University Career Services resource center, 1st floor, 5 p.m., Lawson 121, Visi 453-2391.

- Student Alumni Council meeting, every Mon., 6 p.m., Iinc State/Missouri Rooms, Jason 453-2444.

- Alpha Phi Omega meeting, 6 p.m., Illinois Room Student Center, Jason 549-5524.

- Youth Alcohol outreach meeting to promote travel of Youth Alcohol outreach to other countries, 6 p.m., Dunn-Richmond Building Room 241, 453-3800.

- SAC Ballroom Dance Club meeting and lesson, every Mon., 7 to 8 p.m., Davies Gym small gym second floor, 5:15 student membership, Bryan 351-6883.

- Outdoor Adventure Club meeting, every Mon., 7 p.m., Video lounge student Center, Chris 354-7253.

- Kendo Club Japanese fencing meeting, every Mon and Thurs., 8 to 10 p.m., Davies Gym, Todd 552-4802.

- Yoga Sports Club exercises and meditation, every Mon. and Wed., 5:15 to 10 p.m., Irecation Center Assembly Room, Craig 457-0578.

**UPCOMING**

- Library Affairs webinar, 2:00 o'clock, May 10, 11 a.m., online, Library 1015, finding books using library, 1 to 2 p.m., Library 1030, email using Eudora, 3 to 4:30 p.m., Morris Library 1350, introduction to constructing web pages, 5 to 8 p.m., Morris Library 1015, 453-2818.

- Baptist College Ministry Center is offering free help for the homeless, every Thurs., 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Baptist Student Community on the Corner of Mill and Forest St., July 453-2818.

- Japanese table, every Tues., soon to 1 p.m., student Center Cambria Room, bring your hands, Davis 536-0830.

- SCP Films meeting to select films for student entertainment, every Tues., 5 p.m., basement of student Center, Amanda 536-3333.

- News and News and slide show about the world on the web, every Mon., 7 to 8 p.m., Ballroom C student Center, Derek 536-3333.

- Ballroom Dance Club meeting, dance lessons and practice session every Tues., 8 to 9:30 p.m., Ballroom C student Center, second floor small gym, 75 students members, Bryan 351-8953.

- Women's service events from favorite women writers, Mar. 6, 7 to 9 p.m., Filer Hall Room 1004, 453-8555.

- College of liberal arts annual faculty meeting, Mar. 7, 7 p.m., University Museum Auditorium, Sandy 453-4666.

- Premedical Professions Association director speaking, Mar. 7, 7 p.m., Life science 1 auditorium Room 1059, Brian 329-3180.

- Black in Communication Association meeting, every Thurs., 7:30 p.m., online Room student Center, Erica 536-7696.

- College of Liberal Arts meeting, every Thurs., 8 to 9:30 p.m., Sigma Epsilon Tower Room student Center, Chris 536-3484.

- Apostolic Life Campus Ministry prayer meeting, every Thurs., 8 to 9:15 p.m., Sagamore Student Center room, Abbie 333-9894.

- Library Affairs instructional applications for the web, Mar. 8, 10 to 11 a.m., Morris Library 1030, ending articles mentioned in the news report, 5 p.m., Morris Library 1030, 453-2818.

- Association of Childhood Education international meeting, Mar. 6, 4 p.m., Quigley 128.

- Public Relations Student Society of America meeting, every Wed., 4:30 to 5 p.m., student Center Cambria Room, Kalina 329-5338.

- Career Services job interview workshops, Mar. 8, 8:30 p.m., Lawson 201, Visi 453-2391.

- School of Law lecture on 'State Speech on Campus' at 7 p.m., School of Law Auditorium, 536-7711.

- Sahara Rainbow Network meeting, Mar. 8, 5:30 p.m., Gehrke/Traven Room, Pideline 455-5151.

- Gamma Beta Phi society meeting, Mar. 6, 8 p.m., ?mages/Nation Student Center, Nancy 536-6300.

- SPC Films meeting to select films with English subtitles, every Wed., 6 to 8 p.m., Filer 1125, Language Media Center, Jason 536-3865.

- Fl Sigma Epsilon meeting, every Wed., 6 p.m., ohio room student Center, Amanda 536-6780.

- Egyptian Dining Club meeting, every Wed., 6:30 p.m., Pulliam 021, Amy 549-0460.

- Counseling Society Council meeting, every Thurs., 7 to 8:30 p.m., Kaskaskia/Missouri Rooms, Jason 536-2391.

- Campus Chess club meeting, every Thurs., 8 to 9:30 p.m., Domino Room student Center, Hany 536-6365.

- Rainbow Network meets with English subtitles, every Wed., 6 to 8 p.m., Filer 1125, Language Media Center, Jason 536-3865.

- USAC meeting, every Tues., noon to 1 p.m., Lawson 201, Visi 453-2391.

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**Lucky's pride**

Cab driver works "party nights" to get students home safely

By Jennifer Wigo

Midnight Saturday. The phone rings.

"You're charity has arrived," says the voice on the other end.

Cab No. 13 is waiting.

The driver is a 49-year-old man wearing a casual blue flannel shirt, a T-shirt, jeans, thick driving glasses and an unlit cigarette. He flashes a smile and we make small talk.

His white sneakers press the gas pedal and the cab rumbles to life. The seats are soft and comfortable, and an unlit cigarette. He flashes a smile and we make small talk.

As we leave, I see the driver off in the distance.

The drive home is quiet, with only the sound of the car and occasional beeps of other vehicles.

When we arrive, I offer to help the driver get his kids home safely from the bars.

He takes pride in getting students home safely from the bars.

Getting them home

The first side is a group of three boys. They pile in the back seat of the cab at the Wal-Mart parking lot. After a night of drinking at the Teens Center, they walked to the store to go somewhere. By this time, though, surface level is set. None of them is over 15, and it’s time to go home.

Lucky drops them off, picks up a new fare and drives away.

Cheap taxi prices may be a thing of the past

Rise in gas prices affecting cab drivers

By Jennifer Wigo

Cab driver Lucky Labrie, a Carbondale cab driver, faces a daily fight to make a profit because of the recent jump in gasoline prices.

The drop in profit has increased the possibility of a rise in gas prices, but Yellow Cab owner Russ High has not made definite plans to adjust.

Lucky Labrie, better known as "Lucky 13," has been driving around Carbondale for six hours already, and he's driving for another seven.

"I never knew I had a lucky number," he says.

But then he sells Cab 13 and a 13-hour shift. That's his number 13.

"He's one of the few weekend drivers — the only driver that will take that number. He sees signs everywhere, but he's done six years. His shift has taken him up and down Illinois Route 13. He's a religious man and believes God has made him 13 his lucky number.

"If you see a 13, pay attention," he says. "It's my lucky number 13." He drives on the "party nights."
**Our Word**

**House Bill 4551— the wrong road for Illinois**

One Chicago-area state representative is trying to force legislators to decide how Southern Illinois is treated in this state. As representatives debate the fate of House Bill 4551, they will ultimately decide whether the down-state region is an asset or a liability to be supported by the Chicago area.

Now, 45 percent of state road funding is allocated to Chicago roads and the remaining 55 percent is split between the districts in the remainder of the state. Cal Skinner, R-Crystal Lake, says he needs more. And other Chicago-area representatives argue 56 percent of Illinois' motor vehicles are registered in District One, which includes Cook, DuPage, McHenry, Kane and Will counties, so 56 percent of funding for roads should be spent within the district.

Skinner's comments about Southern Illinois were inflammatory and insulting, singing with the sound of a man trying to start an arm-wrestling match to determine who's the best. Maybe, if he can convince upstate citizens the issue is about city or district pride, Skinner can rally enough support to push a bill through, maybe, but doubtful.

Doubtful because upstate citizens are vendors, who depend on Southern Illinois roads to transport goods; farmers who take roads to and from their fields; people who worry, pulling funding from one segment of the state will be detrimental to the economy of Illinois.

Southern Illinois has been somewhat unsuccessful in continuing to draw industry into our region — that's no secret. But what company will be willing to invest in a community grappling with not only declining conditions, but a state government that has bailed ship? In recent years, Southern Illinois communities have struggled with drought and economic conditions that have hurt the region and the state. If the Illinois House of Representatives representatives are any other upstate members, they will be working against our region's ability to help itself and find Chicago to support the other eight districts of Illinois. Nobody wants that.

Every resident in Illinois should be opposed to efforts to take highway money away from the downstate region. Legislators and voters must recognize the far reaching effects of such an action and understand those efforts will hurt all. Don't allow Skinner to invent a battle within Illinois — we all pay the same taxes and drive on Illinois highways.

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**Just another lonely Bulls fan**

No heart bleeds more for the good old days of Chicago sports' dominance than mine. Observant luôn ask me, "What with all the old Bulls championship T-shirts, you know they won't be winning another one any time soon." Yeah, just what I need, another small turn of the knife in my heart.

For the record, I consider myself a REAL Bulls fan. I didn't abandon the team like all those other fair-weather Bulls fans who jumped off the bandwagon the day Jordan retired. I still have the shirt I bought during the first championship run.

Fans will continue to debate which team was the best and whether that team was ever as good as the 1991 championship team. I think the 1991 championship team was, if not the best, certainly the most memorable, because it was the first. Now I have to live through Bulls General Manager Jerry Krause's experience, asgmnt.

The Bulls are looking to bring in a few free agent heroes, like Sam Bowie, Orson Welles or Dennis Dixon. They're not like they can't add them with the team somewhere around $20 million under the league salary cap. Chicago is a great market. Players like Dennis Rodman, Michael Jordan or Elgin Baylor, would make a killing in Chicago from off-court endorsements.

The Bulls can offer players one of the best practice and training facilities in the league with the Bulls Center in suburban Deerfield. And the United Center is an excellent arena, though looking like its predecessor, the great Chicago Stadium, God rest in soul.

There's no reason why the Bulls can't attract quality young players to the team through free agency. My only fear is that the Bulls aren't really much of a team right now.

The only two players worth anything on the Bulls are Bill Cartwright and Elgin Baylor, who is making a strong case for NBA Rookie of the Year. Why should the Bulls be any different than other NBA teams that constantly throw money at players left and right. Some, of us in Chicago couldn't believe it when the Minnesota Timberwolves offered Kevin Garnett a $100 million contract in 1998. That was then, and this is now. We're the same people who cried for Dennis Rodman's head when he played for the Denver Nuggets, but couldn't wait to see his rainbow-colored hair once he was traded to the Bulls.

Shamefully? Probably. But all fair in love and basketball.

The Bulls are one of the worst teams in the league. I was either too young or, young enough to be the last time those words were heard. Krause and Bulls owner Jerry Reinsdorf were normally in talks to break up the dynasty and start rebuilding for the future, now they must deal with the fact that every die-hard fan will be watching their every move.

My message to Krause and Reinsdorf, "If the Bulls are any better than they're now, I'm very poor at what I do. If you're the best, then you're the best. And they definitely have the moneys. If they can show some creativity and hard work, then they can be better than they are. They've got the money."

Dear Editor:

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**MAILBOX**

**Homosexuality — is it Right or Wrong?**

**Dear Editor:**

I was very disappointed when I looked in the Daily Egyptian Monday morning. It's sad when an educated person really shows their stupidity and arrogance.

Dick Roush says homoseucty is not normal and let's just be honest about it. He must tell him something — YOU ARE WRONG! Homosexuality is not a sin, it's just a lifestyle choice. Other people have the same wrong lifestyles as they. As a person who is gay, I can tell you that it is sometimes hard. We have to fight for rights, that's more difficult than it is to choose between right and wrong.

As one as one, I should be accorded the same rights and responsibilities as other people. That people should be denied job security, and the right to have a family and to vote. There is no "Homosexual Agenda," Society is becoming more accepting of people, if an individual is honest and truthful, they will be accepted.

I am gay, and I hope that my character is something that others will admire. Others can say whatever they want, but I hope that my character is something that others will admire.

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I am writing in response to the editor, Mr. Dick Roush stating his thoughts in the Daily Egyptian newsletter, Monday's edition. In the newsletter, Mr. Roush states his views on what he calls "promoting a homosexual relationship," and I am not saying that my views are right, but I have a point of view. By the way, I am an internal relations college student, and I am of the same opinion as Mr. Roush. By the time an individual reaches college, one would hope that they realize that people are different, they live different lifestyles, and (most importantly) that differences is good.

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**Concetta Steele**

**Editorial writer**
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Environmentalists battle it out

Dear Editor:

I am pleased to read the column written by Julie Hagg on March 1. Environmental concern is at a seven or six all-a-side %. The campaign that is going to be our natural resources is not overridable. The rate of protection is minimal at the cost of recovery. It is for that reason that I am concerned by Julie's comments concerning the use of paper versus plastic at the grocery store. I have seen the multitude of forest that remain in the Western States. Clear cuts have now gone away along the side of the road so we don't notice our drive to the store Park. Trees are then replaced by rows of fast-growing trees. These new forests are destined to wildlife. The resources have wasted away with the rain on nothing will grow in it once did. The cellulose is completely washed away.

There is no question that recycling paper products is a big help to deforestation. Unfortunately, paper can only be recycled a limited number of times, and is not very efficient. No matter how good we get at recycling paper, we will still have to cut down more trees.

This is in exact contrast to plastic. Plastic can be recycled many times over. The recycling process is immensely different from the process in paper. Fortunately, not all our grocery store provide convenient recycling bins for their plastic bags. I encourage you to write your concerned representative and certainly we will dialogue on the best ways to preserve the environment. Often the most obvious answer is not the correct one. Environmentalism requires discretion and, despite our disagreements, I am sure we can agree that it is not the answer. Thank you.

Christopher London
Graduate student in Chemistry

Web page doesn't reflect student body

To the "President" of SIU:

Who are you to say you can speak to the student body? Is it not embarrassing and a little sad that you define the SIU way of life as one driven by sex, alcohol, and immorality? None of us are actually here to learn. You think you can advocate for the student minority? I'm a 20-year-old girl who has never had sex, never drank, and choose to behave as a responsible adult. That's right. I CHOOSE that lifestyle. It was not forced on me by Big Brother. SIU is a southern "conservative" upbringing. Whatever you want to do is fine, but THAT is the minority at SIU. There's nothing unique about going out and getting drunk every weekend. Next time you want to stand up for the little guys, make sure you are one of them.

You've had a good red at your fingers, but instead of promoting SIU's student body, you degraded it. You worry your ' students' picture is about as artistic and tasteful as the Parody and Thomas Lee honeymoon video, and the evening you do want to consider only of a gift-wrapped cake to take her dinner off. You see beautiful girls every day in class, and none of them come in your underwear. Those are the girls who should be on your website - the ones who don't have to be on a magazine cover or the considered "bitches." You talkrib about corruption, or the way of life as the student body. I'm sure you've never seen any examples of what people are talking about. Just because SIU is in an infamous่วitch tv program doesn't mean it is corrupt. Don't confuse petty grievances over slow paperwork with corruption in the administration. It is not a Social security, but form on a daily basis. The only social issues I've ever seen is the Halloween incidents caused by the same reckless behaviors you outline on your website. I've been a part of the campus for four years, and never saw one of the ones that fail a window broken in case of those "fun and carefree" moments. I don't care what you say about SIU. It's your right to voice your complaints about your school. But I do care about your defining my student body. Not every student seeks a better and a remedy on the weekends. Most beautiful girls on this campus won't go to a dank hotel room to take semi-nude pictures. And I'm sure very few students would choose to describe what "SIU Life" is all about.

I felt the need to write this after a dear friend expressed her concern over your site's effects on SIU's reputation. I learned her that it won't affect the school in the slightest. You'll be just another silly controversy that fades into obscurity. I hope SIU legal counsel Peter Poggi doesn't bother with litigation against you. You don't deserve one more second added to your 15 minutes of fame.

Phil Rockwell

Andrews in science and photography

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Gus Bode

Gus says: I would have gone to St. Louis but I couldn't afford to fill up my tank.

FANS
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Florida, California, Iowa and Michigan.*

Some of the game's 11,207 spectators were there cheering on friends or family on the team.

"We call ourselves the Carneys Crabs," senior Dave Simmons said in reference to the support he and junior Brian Koch provide to their friends and players rebuilding freshman David Carney.

May 1999 alumni Ensia Axelton came to St. Louis from Chicago to see those of his friends—bench reserves junior Abi Schroeder, SIU starter senior Chris Thonnell and senior guard Lance Brown—fight for the MVC championship.

"I promised Thonnell I'd see one game, so I came down and saw the Indiana State game," Axelton said. "I have been hooked since."

Jim Drew and his wife traveled from Springfield to see the MVC tournament, as well as to support their son, sophomore Chris Drew, and the rest of the team. Jim has been enthused about this year's performance and the fan support the Salukis have received.

That fan support, Burger said, has brought about a great level of excitement for Saluki players this weekend and has created a great atmosphere in St. Louis.

"I think SIU fans are really excited about the team and what Couch [Bruce] Weber has been able to do," Burger said. "I think our fans are probably the best in the MVC."

"And some of those fans are die-hard..."

Aaron Gerding, a junior from Murphysboro, and his friend, who are in a car each night this weekend. Sporting a black wig and metallic hat—souvenirs from an afternoon at Soulard Mardi Gras festivities—Gerding said he is a "huge Saluki dog fan" that is in it for the long run.

"I hope to God I'll be here for Monday night, too," he said.

Where will you be when they launch the first-ever Internet Film and Music Festival?

We've had a great mix of students, fans and alumni. They're coming from as far as Florida, California, Iowa, and Michigan."

Ed Burns
Director of the MVC Tournament (MVC)

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Two year Recreation Center program honors student's heritage

Terry L. Dean

Daily Egyptian reporter

Thailand, Athens, Scotland—they exist as a still call each. Each is one of the many countries with a flag displayed at the Recreation Center's International Flag of Flags.

In addition, the two-year anniversary of the program, designed to honor SIUC's diversity and the University's international student population.

The International Gallery of Flags was the brainchild of Kathy Hollister, assistant director of intramural sports and co-curricular programs, and the International Student Council.

Hollister spent 10 years trying to come up with a way to have, display the entire campus seemed like the perfect solution. Having them displayed in Recreation Center also appealed to Hollister.

"It made it not like a gym, [but] more of a cultural place," Hollister said.

"When we put them up, the atmosphere changed and some colorful and comfortable feeling happened when they went up."

More than 80 flags, in alphabetical order of course, are displayed in the upper corner area of the Recreation Center. The original 61 flags were stored in the International Student Council.

The International Gallery of Flags can provide students with a sense of pride and belonging, said Chivasut Sudsai, president of the Student Association, whose flag is among the 80 on display.

"It's to recognize that there are many people from different countries on this campus," he said. "If they come from just one additional to the number of countries, I think that might attract more of the campus around the country." The cost to have a flag displayed is $30. In addition to students, faculty, staff and administrators have asked to have their countries' flags displayed.

Marvin Tracy, dean for student affairs, vice chancellor for Student Affairs and dean of students, said the Italian flag to be added to the gallery shortly after it debuted. She said the flags are a great tribute to SIUC's diversity and the University has added something special to the campus environment since going up.

"We have a lot of international students here," she said. "They do a lot for our campus, so I think it was a really terrific idea for the Recreation Center to do this." Hollister said it is her goal to have the council reach all international student, who as she attended SIUC, represented in the gallery. About 60 flags are needed to achieve that goal and she is pleased with the message that they send to students.

When people come from other countries, they have open houses, it really makes a difference how people view the diversity on campus," she said.

SIUC student nominate for scholarship

Tim Rice is competing against other college students for $30,000 Truman Scholarship

GODSEL RODRIGUEZ

DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Nominations for the Truman Scholarship include students from Princeton University, SIUC, and even Harvard. However, among all those students is one nominee from SIUC.

Tim Rice, a junior in social work from Chicago, Ill., is a member of the Truman Scholarship, which awards $30,000 to junior planning to go into graduate school in public service. The winner gets $3,000 for their junior year and $27,000 for graduate school.

The Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation, which gives $30,000 in scholarships a year, SIUC is one of the 146 institutions involved, and Rice is one of the 17 alumni.

Rice, who lives on a farm in Coloma, is content just being nominated for the award, but being the only one from SIUC makes him even more proud.

"It's a big honor to be nominated for this award," Rice said.

Rice had to meet certain requirements to get into the program.

A nominee must be a full-time, junior-level student pursuing a bachelor's degree during the 1999-2000 school year and must obtain the 3.45 minimum grade point average. A student can also be a junior in the third year of study and expecting to graduate during the 1999-2000 school year. The nominee may also be a senior-level student resident of Puerto Rico or the Islands (Guam, Virgin Islands, American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands). The Islands are considered a campus.

The second qualification is that the student must be committed to a career in public service. The third qualification is the scholar must be in the upper quarter of his or her class. The last prerequisite is he or she must be a U.S. citizen or a U.S. National from American Samoa or the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

"Other guidelines the foundation would like to see in applicants are extra-curricular activities in public or community service, a commitment to careers in government or elsewhere in public service, and leadership potential and communication skills," Marvin Tracy, director of the SIUC School of Social Work, wrote a couple of letters of recommendation for Rice. Tracy said Rice meets all of the qualifications of the nomination.

"He is highly deserving of the recognition," Tracy said. "He has shown exemplary social work values and is a proven leader."

Other was named the SIUC School of Social Work faculty, which Tracy said meets the three major components of the nomination. Rice described Tracy as an outstanding individual and said he can only be a successful man with his strong leadership and critical thinking. Tracy also said Rice is a great advocate of SIUC and making it this far demonstrates Rice's unique talents.

"I think Rice is a unique student, yet confident, about his chances of winning. "I don't know how they make their selections," Rice said. "I do know that I worked really hard to get here."
LUCKY
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his fun and the CB radio crackle. There's the voice again.
He talks to someone at Evergreen Terrace needs a ride to Carbondale's northeast side.
Shes quiet. Lucky tries to make conversation, but it
limited away.
The radio crackles again. The voice.
Back to Yellow Cab. He's this Billing Ave. A man walked
there from PKS, 301 S. Illinois Ave., and wants to go
to home.
He's what Lucky calls a "regular." Lucky knows his story and makes small talk on
the quick journey to his hotel. He's been back to
"Just happy to be headed home," the rider says. "Got
to work in the morning."
Another crackle and the voice.
A couple of SDC students need a ride from Copper
Dragon Brewing Co., 700 E. Grand Ave., to a party or
the other end of town.
It's Lucky's pride. He picks up the two intoxicated men. One's boisterous
and rambling about fishing and sex. The other doesn't
say much and pays.
Lucky tells him his fare and heads off.
Back at Yellow Cab, two men are waiting. These guys are drunk. They get in the back of the cab
from each side and immediately have other ideas. He's had trou
ble with one of them before and refuses the fare.
"You've got to get another ride," he says. "I'm not going out
with you anymore, buddy." The other man of the two
boasts that he's going to pull out all the stops. Lucky
smirks and says, "We're just happy to be headed home,"
the rider says. Getting to work in the morning.
Another crackle and the voice.
"He's been back to Evergreen Terrace again," the rider
flags Lucky down. The group makes it home all right.
Strange.
Two men and a woman — all around their 20s —
are leaning against a stop light on the corner of College
Street and Illinois Avenue, flagging Lucky down. They
need a ride to Thompson Point.
Lucky knows the woman, Betty. The two men introduced
themselves. Lucky doesn't know them.
"Even though we're crazy alcoholics, Lucky takes care of us," Betty says withuzzled admiration.
"It depends on how high the gas goes," Lucky says. "You can
get home without walking.
They need cigarettes. But by now it's 2:15 a.m. and the
smoke shop in town is already closed.
Mark and Kerry are joking about the resident assistant
while they jump out of the car, knowing they'll see Lucky
in the morning.
"How much do we owe you, Lucky," Betty says.
"$5.50," Lucky responds.
"It's Lucky's pride. It's just what to make a difference," Lucky says as we
drive away. "I want to be there when the kids need a ride."

GAS INCREASE
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Lucky tells one rider it's almost over.
Instead of using meters to change people, Carbodale is composed of 33 different zones. Yellow
Cab charges a certain amount in each zone.
High promised any raise asked for would be the lowest possible, about 20 or 30 cents per zone.
Lucky introduces himself. "I'm sure it's affecting [the drivers]," he says. "You just know the
business itself," High said. "I haven't noticed any difference.
"The City Council sets the rates for the cab company. Because there's no visible factor from High's stand-
point, he has no concrete plan to ask the City Council
to raise rates. Although, he is considering the possibility.
"It depends on how high the gas goes," High said. "I'm not saying I'm going to, but I'm not going to ride it
out either.
"Yellow Cab has not raised prices since 1994, so High
may ask for a raise because it is "long overdue."

For more information and specific application procedures for these scholarships, please visit the sponsoring
departments or Student Development on the 3rd floor of the Student Center.
Schools face dilemma over enforcing "zero tolerance" policies

KATE DEMPSEY

In the aftermath of the Columbine Shootings, school districts are embarking on a "zero tolerance" safety policies like never before. One issue, and those breaking the rules are often called "zero tolerance" policies, are being enforced for days, sometimes for a year or more. Although the policies existed before the deadly attacks last April, Columbine High School in Colorado, administers are enforcing them more diligently these days, paper says this sometimes and little liberties, they go too far.

"Columbine has really made a huge impression on school districts, and they don't want to be the one else for the kids," said Susan Godehard, in an attorney with the Missouri School Boards Association.

The policies, which came from federal and state laws passed in the 1990s, have created a dilemma for school officials charged with educating and disciplining children. In many districts, school administrators won't tolerate even one instance of what the standards prohibit, doing use or harassment.

Last November, 17-year-old Dan Vianello of Prairie Village, Kan., was expelled for a full year from Kansas' Shawnee Mission School District. Vianello, an co-star in the attacks, told The Kansas City Star last month that he doesn't understand why he was expelled when he drove to Shawnee Mission East High School and parked his car in front of a school entrance.

Vianello, who had bought the knife as a souvenir on a trip to Europe, told school officials that his father gave him the knife as a gift for his 11th birthday. A district attorney in Kansas said he had no intention of using the weapon.

The boy, Benjamin Ratner, was removed from school for "good policy." The board later said that the boy's actions were "noble" and that in which students break rules without intending harm, officials agreed. But sometimes, say civil liberties advocates, the policies go against the grain of all of our kids. There are unfortunate situations in which students break rules without intending harm, officials agree. But students and parents need to understand there's no room for weapons and violence at school, said David Shimanski, administrator superintendent in the Lee's Summit School District.

One incident brought by a student, even without the intent to do harm, often ends up doing harm anyway," Munson said. After his suspension hearing, the school official's counter that it's not that simple.

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**Comic Striptease**

My god! This party sucks.

All the other guys found women except us.

Yeah, I...

Hey, how you doin'? I...

Damn you, irony!!

by Jason Adams

**Shoot Me Now!!**

Bunch of us all planning to go over to the supermarket and buy the last-lot section of fudge. You in?

And then, that round-up, the high school. I tell you... I smell... I have a real safe tonight.

Heh, heh... that round-up, the high school. I tell you... I smell... I have a real safe tonight.

I think enough time's passed to declare your best friend dead. Chin-Oh.

I'll see a priest.

by James Kerr

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**Mother Goose and Grimm**

Ugh, Mom. I must've done something wrong. I was outside.

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Bardley and Morgan honored on Senior Night before Salukis fall 67-52 to Lady Aces

CHRISTINE BOLIN
DAILY ELEPHANT REPORTER

Losing by 15 points to Indiana State University Saturday night was no surprise to SIU women's basketball senior Melanie Bardley. Bardley planned to finish her last game in the SIU Arena.

Although the game was not as close as it may have appeared, Bardley was still excited by the outcome and the fact that she was able to play in her last game. "I wish we could have won. We just gave the game away at the end, and we didn't come together. We just gave up," she said.

The Salukis (8-19, 5-13) maintained their lead over the Aces in the second half. The closest Indiana State fans came to leading SIU was when the game was tied at 11.

After the first half, SIU led the Aces 28-25, but it would not take long for Indiana State to jump ahead and keep up with the game. The closest SIU came to staying in the game was 46-36, where a layup by Bardley reduced the lead to just nine points.

After Bardley's layup, the Salukis failed to score for the next four minutes. Indiana State took advantage by going on a seven-point run and never looked back.

"We were down and we could not get back up," said freshman guard Lauren letter. "The whole game we just kept getting more down." The Salukis ended up losing by 15 points, the largest margin of the season and were outscored in the second half for the first time this season.

Saluki head coach Julie Beck was less than pleased with the final result of the game. She gives credit to the foot-three-inch center, who is day-to-day with the injured left leg, for the Missouri Valley Conference tournament, which begins Thursday, when the Salukis bowl against the University of Evansville.

Even though SIU is the seventh seed in the MVC and the Lady Aces are the second, Bardley thinks the Salukis have a good shot at winning.

"We can win — we can do anything," Bardley said. "The tournament is our last opportunity to prove ourselves. We can make a statement going into next season. I know I won't be here to see it, but it is something for the other players to look forward to.

MEANANCE BARDLEY
SIU senior center Melanie Bardley, along with fellow senior Ann Morgan, was honored Saturday for Senior Day in the Salukis' last home game of the season. Bardley scored 19 points and pulled down seven boards in her final game in the SIU Arena.

SIU seniors endure disappointing farewell

SYCAMORES WHO BECK said was a much improved team since the last meeting, Dec. 29, where SIU won 64-62.

"I can't believe we played our last game like that. It is real disappointing to me," Beck said. "Junior forward forward Jordan Johnson was a real improved player since the last time we played them. We kept the game close in the first half and the second half. But in the first half, Ann Morgan's 10 points and that was the difference we needed to keep a close eye on. It should have been better." Beck led all players in scoring and rebounding with 23 points, including 13 in the first half and 12 rebound.

Sophomore guard April Kirby was second in scoring for Indiana State with 17 points and seven rebounds. Junior forward Maria Neuburger added 13 points, and 10 rebounds.

One of the reasons Beck contributed to the loss was the absence of junior guard Kristine Abramowski, who entered the starting lineup in Thursday's win over Illinois State University. Abramowski would like to see the 6-2, 6-6 Abramowski return to action soon.

The SIU women's basketball team travels to Springfield, Mo., for the MVC Tournament Thursday versus the University of Evansville. Tune in to 106.3 FM for Sports Talk, which is at 6 p.m.

TOURNAMENT TIME...

"We are going to be playing our last game in the MVC Tournament," Beck said. "We just have to come together, and we can do anything."
Baseball deals with juggling trick all week

Salukis swing west to Fresno State for pre-break tourny

Amy Edwards
Daily Egyptian reporter

The SIU baseball team will have to manage in time wisely as it will ride a week of classes after embarking on a seven-game, road trip to Fresno, Calif., to play in the Pepsi/Johnny Colt Classic.

In March 1998, SIU coach Dan Callahan checked with the Admissions and Records Office before signing the contract to play in the tournament for March of 2000.

Back then, the schedule stated that the trip would be the week of March 6, not March 12.

Callahan said having school in session during the tournament poses some extra difficulties for the Salukis.

"Some of our guys have mixed practice to make up this and catch on some academics because they know they will be missing a week of school," Callahan said. "I don't think a lot of them have even thought about the trip." Callahan said the scheduling is an "odd situation," because the week will be on the road during school and home in time for spring break.

Sophomore pitcher Jon Alley (2-0) will take his phenomenal 0.96 ERA into the first game today at 1 p.m. against University of North Carolina-Greensboro.

Then, SIU will face Greensburg University Tuesday and Indiana State University Wednesday.

Pending how other action goes, SIU could play either Fresno State University, Bradley-Green University, Creighton University or Temple University later in the week.

Callahan will start freshman Josh Latimer Tuesday and follow with freshmen Brenton Fendt and Latimer has only walked one batter in 20-plus innings pitched.

SIU has received quality starting pitching in the early part of the season. The team is a combined 5-0 with a 2.23 ERA, while its relief staff has suffered a 1-2 record with a 8.33 ERA.

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Southwestern Missouri beats shorthanded SIU 67-56 in semifinals

JAY SCHWARZ
SPORTS EDITOR

ST. LOUIS - For most of the season, Freshman Derrick Tilmon has been the Southwestern Missouri State (22-9) basketball team's go-to player. But the Bears' short-handed season came to an end Saturday when Tilmon, a 6-5, 220-pound junior center for the Bears, suffered a back injury in the second half of Thursday's Mountain West Conference semifinal loss to San Jose State (22-9).

With its NCAA Tournament dreams crushed, SIU (19-12) saw its hopes of making a deep run in the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament disappear.

Tilmon started the game Sunday, but it may have been his last game for the Bears. Without Tilmon, the Bears were able to compete with the Salukis.

Brandon Mells attempts to keep control of the ball amid thick Missouri State defense Sunday night at the Kiel Center during SIU's 67-56 loss in the semifinal round of the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament. SIU scored a career high 24 points in Saturday's win against Evansville.

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